

Meeting Minutes for the Public Stakeholder Meeting on EPA's Clean Power Plan:

**November 12, 2015
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Public Utilities Commission of NV
Hearing Room A
1150 E. William Street
CARSON CITY, NV**

**Video Conference to:
Public Utilities Commission of NV
Hearing Room A
9075 W. Diablo Drive, Ste. 250
LAS VEGAS, NV**

Development of Nevada's State 111(d) Plan to Reduce Carbon Emissions from Existing Fossil Fuel Power Plants

AGENDA

1. Welcome (5 min): agenda review, protocol, and opportunities for public comment
2. NDEP Administrator's Introductory Remarks, Dave Emme (5 min)
3. NDEP Presentation on the Clean Power Plan, Sig Jaunarajs (15 min): overview and requirements
4. Nevada Public Utilities Commission Role in Plan Development (10 min)
5. Governor's Office of Energy Role, Angie Dykema (5 min)
6. Public comment* (90 min): Approx. 90 attendees with 22 speakers each had 5 minutes to provide comment to NDEP. At this first meeting, NDEP was particularly seeking comment on the following questions:
 - i. *Should Nevada submit a State Plan or have EPA implement a Federal Plan?*
 - ii. *If Nevada develops a state plan:*
 - a. *What is an appropriate stakeholder involvement process?*
 - b. *What criteria should Nevada apply to compare and evaluate compliance pathways?*
7. Next Steps (5 min): Additional meetings.
8. Adjourn

PUBLIC COMMENT: SPEAKERS

Name/Affiliation

Anyssa Candelaria; Alliance for Climate Education (ACE)
Vinny Spotleson; Self
Bill Hurd; Self
Jennifer Taylor; Clean Energy Program (CEP)
Dave Zheng; SEA Groups Ltd.
Barry Ellsworth; Solar One Partners
Dylan Sullivan; Natural Resource Defense (NRDC)
Aleta Dupree; Self
Leoral Revus; Self
Howard Watts III; Self
Bob Fulkerson; Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN)
Zoe Berkery; Business Council for Sustainable Energy
Joseph Johnson; Self
Kyle Isacksen; Be the Change Project
David VonSeggern; Toiyabe Chapter, Sierra Club
James Martin; Interwest
Robert Johnston; Western Resource Advocates
Thomas Bloomfield; Environmental Defense Fund
Janett Dean; Self
Debra Hendrickson; Self
Starla Lacy; NV Energy
Casey Caughman; Self

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Should Nevada submit a State Plan or have EPA implement a Federal Plan?

Most speakers agreed that Nevada should submit a state plan over a federal plan.

What is an appropriate stakeholder involvement process?

Many believed NDEP should:

- hold future meetings during the weekend or evening hours
- hold future meetings in places accessible to low-income residents
- develop a plan in an open and transparent way
- rely on a team of professionals with experience and expertise in the energy sector to help create ideas and answer questions

PUBLIC COMMENTS (continued)

What criteria should Nevada apply to compare and evaluate compliance pathways?

Many speakers agreed that NDEP's plan should:

- develop the CO2 standards below those in EPA's final 2030 standards
- keep energy costs down for ratepayers
- be a trade-ready state with other western states
- capitalize on renewable energy resources to create state jobs
- create a plan that provides clean power to low-income families
- rely on renewable energy over natural gas fired power plants
- encourage privately owned rooftop solar panels
- utilize the Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP) to its full advantage
- build upon the Nevada renewable energy portfolio to meet the new standards
- create a plan that changes legislation allowing power generating units to be owned by communities and private citizens
- consider a carbon tax
- submit a plan on September 2016 to allow business to take full advantage of the Clean Energy Incentive Program
- consider grid reliability

***All comments were not included in the minutes, only the recurring themes. More can be found on NDEP's future CPP website**

FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings would likely focus on comparison of compliance pathways and potential implementation issues. Additional meetings will be held in January 2016 in other cities in Nevada. Please refer to public libraries and the NDEP website; <http://ndep.nv.gov/> for more information.